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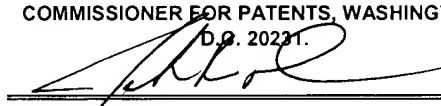
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
Sturgeon et al.

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SEPARABLE KEY FOR ESTABLISHING
DETACHABLE PRINTER COMPONENT
COMPATIBILITY WITH A PRINTER

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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated January 22, 2003, applicants hereby amend their application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 15. Claims 2, 8, 9, 11-14, 21, 22, 24, and 27-29 have been amended herein, and new claims 31-43 have been added. A complete set of claims as amended herein is provided below. A redlined version of the amended claims is attached as Attachment A to this amendment.

1. (Previously Cancelled)

2. (Twice Amended) A mechanism for establishing compatibility of an on-axis printer component with a printer having a carriage, the mechanism comprising:
a printer component mounting portion operably secured to the carriage of the printer;
a separate key element secured to said on-axis printer component mounting portion, adjacent to said printer component;
at least one tab extending from the on-axis printer component, said at least one tab positioned and oriented in a defined and unique tab pattern thereby indicating a

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Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

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() Other: (fee \$)

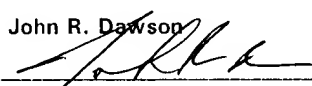
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TOTAL CLAIMS	29	MINUS	30	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	5	MINUS	7	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
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OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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